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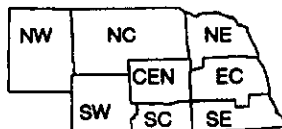
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## WEATHER

Temperatures for the week averaged from four degrees below normal in the northwest to two degrees above normal in the northeast. Precipitation occurred at the end of the week with amounts varying from a tenth of an inch in the north central up to 1.3 inches in the northeast and southwest.

## GENERAL

Favorable fall harvest conditions last week allowed increased fieldwork activities and hastened the pace of crop maturity, according to the Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Service. Harvest activities were in full swing for soybeans, while corn and grain sorghum had only a limited start. Other producer activities included moving old crop grain to market, moving hay for winter feeding, and harvesting sunflowers and millet.

## CROPS

All corn condition was rated at 5% poor, 23% fair, 67% good, and 5% excellent. Dryland fields were rated at 76% good or excellent. Irrigated fields were rated at 70% good or excellent. Continued drier weather for most of the week assisted in crop dry down, although most corn remains too wet for harvest. At week's end, 84% had reached maturity, behind the average of 97%. Harvest for grain continued its slow start with 9% combined to date and compared with 9% last year and 37% for the five-year average.

## CROPS (Cont.)

Soybean condition was rated at 23% fair, 67% good, and 10% excellent. Weather conditions last week allowed excellent harvest progress with 62% combined as of Sunday. This rapid progress placed the harvest completion rate one point behind the average of 63% complete.

Sorghum condition was rated at 3% very poor, 6% poor, 54% fair, 35% good, and 2% excellent. Maturity at 67% remained near last year but well behind normal. Harvest progress maintained its slow start across the State with 5% harvested to date. This compares with 7% last year and 41% for the average. Cane harvest continued.

Dry bean condition was rated at 15% very poor, 27% poor, 34% fair, and 24% good. Harvest was rated at 75% complete by week's end. Sugar beet harvest continued.

Winter wheat seeding made excellent progress also and is virtually complete, slightly ahead of average. With 76% emergence to date and most areas with adequate moisture, proper plant growth is anticipated.

## LIVESTOCK

Pasture and range condition was rated at 102% of normal and compares with 98% of normal last year at this time. Cattle were doing well on pastures that still supply adequate grazing. A few areas of supplemental feeding were reported. Producers were weaning and working with calves.

FIELD WORK PROGRESS AS OF OCTOBER 10, 1993	AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS DISTRICTS								STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	AVER- AGE
	NW	NC	NE	C	EC	SW	SC	SE				
% corn mature	71	61	85	70	88	81	97	92	84	79	88	97
% corn harvested	15	5	6	12	11	6	10	12	9	4	9	37
% sorghum mature	0	51	95	75	78	61	76	59	67	47	66	92
% sorghum harvested	0	4	14	4	7	1	2	5	5	1	7	41
% soybeans dropping leaves	0	86	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	97	98	99
% soybeans harvested	0	48	60	68	66	62	61	59	62	15	56	63
% dry beans harvested	66	97	100	95	0	100	100	0	75	70	n/a	n/a
% wheat sown	100	100	100	100	97	100	100	94	99	90	100	98
% wheat emerged	96	95	98	84	81	68	77	43	76	65	89	83
DAYS SUITABLE AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION AS OF OCTOBER 8, 1993												
Days suitable	6.2	6.1	6.2	6.2	6.0	6.0	6.4	6.0	6.1	6.0	4.2	
Topsoil moisture - Short	7	21	21	11	6	30	18	6	14	5	7	
(Percent) - Adequate	79	79	72	89	72	60	82	77	76	91	61	
- Surplus	14	0	7	0	22	10	0	17	10	4	32	
Subsoil moisture - Short	7	5	0	22	0	0	0	0	4	1	3	
(Percent) - Adequate	93	95	93	67	89	100	91	83	89	92	90	
- Surplus	0	0	7	11	11	0	9	17	7	7	7	

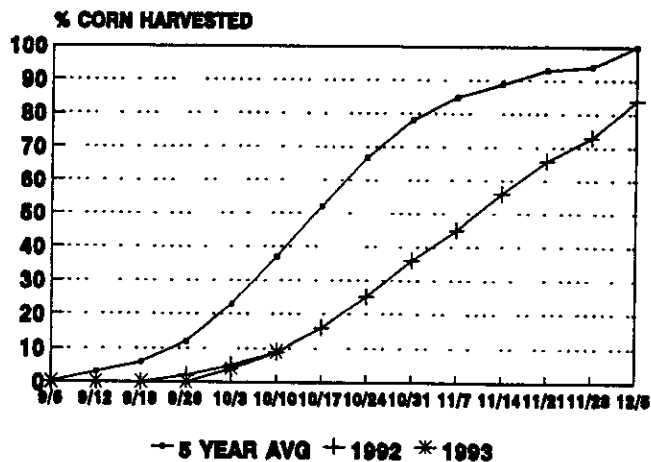
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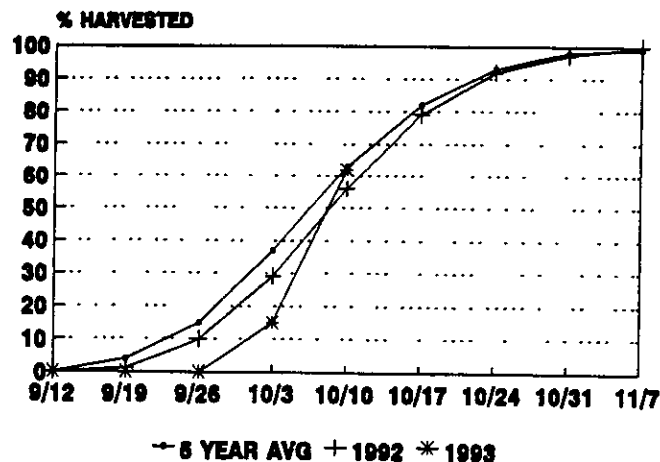
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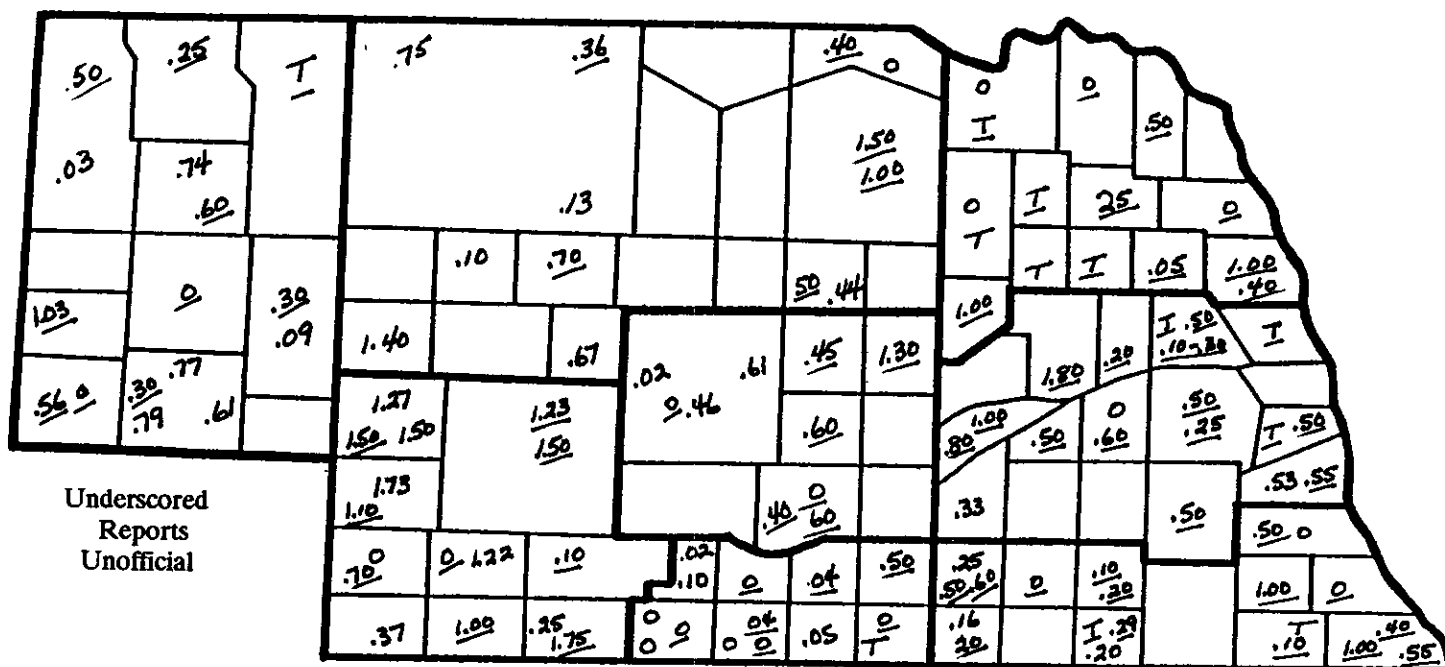
# **CORN HARVESTED** PROGRESS AS OF SUNDAY



# **SOYBEANS HARVESTED** PROGRESS AS OF SUNDAY



## **PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1993**



## **TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA, WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1993**

Station		Temperature				Precipitation
		Extremes		Mean	Departure	Total Inches 1/
		Max	Min			
NW	Chadron	92	23	47	---	.84
	Scottsbluff	87	25	49	-4	1.06
	Sidney	88	25	51	---	---
NC	Valentine	96	21	51	-2	.36
NE	Norfolk	89	26	57	+2	1.31
	Sioux City	87	26	56	0	.99
CEN	Grand Island	90	28	58	-2	.50
	Ord	88	25	52	---	.11
EC	Lincoln	85	27	57	-1	.64
	Omaha	84	30	57	0	.79
SW	Imperial	---	---	---	---	---
	North Platte	91	26	54	0	1.28

1/ Precipitation totals not included in map above.